FINANCE REPORT, 1873.

To the Warden and Council of the County of Elgin:

The Committee on Finance beg leave to Report that they have examined into the financial affairs of the County and the estimate submitted by the County Treasurer, herewith submit an estimate of the expenditure required to be provided for the lawful purposes of County for the current year, showing amounts to be raised for the undermentioned purposes, namely:

Debentures and Coupons, old	$1,694 00
Gaol Debentures and Coupons, new	3,841 00
Southern Railway Debentures and Coupons	20,500 00
High Schools	591 00
Inspectors of Schools	910 00
Administration of Justice	4,400 00
General Purposes	2,809 00
County Lines and Bridges	1,000 00
	35,745 00
Common Schools	4,063 00
	$39,808 00

In compiling the above estimate, your Committee have reduced the amounts as low as practicable, without affecting the credit of the County.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the sum of $39,808 00 be raised and levied on the rateable property in the several Municipalities in the County for County purposes, as per Schedule, herewith, and that the requisite By-laws be passed to levy a rate or rates of Four and a quarter Mills in the Dollar, exclusive of School Rate, on the amount of rateable property as equalized for the previous year to raise said amount.

SCHEDULE.

Municipalities.	Common Schools.	Southern Railway.	General Purposes	Total.
Aldborough	476	2,222	1,556	4,254
Dunwich	506	2,838	1,988	5,332
Southwold	753	4,214	2,951	7,918
Yarmouth	753	4,437	3,107	8,297
Malahide	632	3,330	2,332	6,294
S. Dorchester	281	1,833	1,283	3,397
Bayham	662	1,799	1,259	3,720
Vienna		150	105	255
Aylmer		202	142	344
	$4,063	$21,025	$14,723	$39,811

Committee Room, St. Thomas, 5th June, 1873.

GEORGE SUFFEL, Chairman.

To the Council of the County of Elgin:

The Committee on Equalization beg leave to submit the following statement of Equalization of the Assessment Rolls which they recommend to be adopted by the Council.

Municipalities.	Real and Personal Property Assessed 1873.	Equallised Valuation per Acre	Real and Personal Property Equalised 1873.
Aldborough	576,115	$ 11	888,912
Dunwich	827,410	15	1,135,420
Southwold	1,609,515	21	1,685,936
Yarmouth	1,661,567	23	1,775,037
Malahide	1,277,840	26	1,332,182
S. Dorchester	675,932	22	733,200
Bayham	500,749	11	719,765
Vienna	83,945		60,000
Aylmer	133,060		85,000
	$7,646,153		$8,415,392

Committee Room, 5th June, 1873.

T. M. NAIRN, Chairman.